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In re Appln. of: Milan Mrksich et al.

Appln. No.: 09/689,263

Filed: October 11, 2000

For: Making Surfaces Inert by Modifying with Alkanethiolates

Attorney Docket No: 7814-42

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- Second Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement; Form PTO-1449; copy of reference D1
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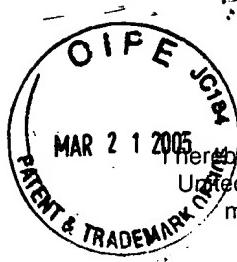
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**SECOND SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.97(i)**

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and §§1.97-1.98, and more particularly in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(i), Applicants hereby cite the following references:

Other Art – Non-Patent Literature Documents

Chapman, Robert G. et al.; "Surveying for Surfaces that Resist the Adsorption of Proteins;" Journal of the American Chemical Society, vol. 122, no. 34; 8-12-2000, pp. 8303-8304; XP002201702

Applicants are enclosing Form PTO-1449 (one sheet), along with a copy of each listed reference for which a copy is required under 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(2). Applicants respectfully request that the citation be placed into the file wrapper of the application.

By submitting this Statement, Applicants are attempting to fully comply with the duty of candor and good faith mandated by 37 C.F.R. §1.56. As such, this Statement is not intended to constitute an admission that any of the enclosed references, or other information referred to therein, constitutes "prior art" or is otherwise "material to patentability," as that phrase is defined in 37 C.F.R. §1.56(a).

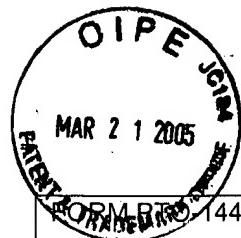
Applicants have calculated no fee to be due in connection with the filing of this Statement. However, the Director is authorized to charge any fee deficiency associated with the filing of this Statement to a deposit account, as authorized in the Transmittal accompanying this Statement.

Respectfully submitted,


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